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PURCHASING DIVISION

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Date: March 20, 2023

INVITATION FOR QUOTATIONS: PQ NO. 23-0012	Qualified vendors are invited to submit sealed bids, subject to conditions and instructions as specified for the furnishing of: INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO / VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM FOR COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS
GENERAL SCOPE	The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide and install one (1) digital audio/video interview recording system for investigation interviews for the Columbus Fire & EMS Department.
DUE DATE	APRIL 5, 2023 – 2:30 PM (EASTERN) Responses must be submitted via DemandStar on or before the due date. A virtual opening will be held during the 3:00 PM hour of the due date. Responding vendors are not required but are invited to attend the opening. If you wish to attend the virtual opening, use one of the Microsoft Teams meeting options: Click here to join the meeting or call in (audio only) +1 478-239-0725 , 855808406# United States, Macon Phone Conference ID: 855 808 406# Find a local number Reset PIN . Note: Columbus Consolidated Government is not responsible for technical issues that may arise during the virtual opening.
SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS	See APPENDIX B for Submission Requirements, Submission Requirements Checklist, and DemandStar Registration and Submission Instructions.
ADDENDA	<u>IMPORTANT INFORMATION</u> Any and all addenda will be posted on the Purchasing Division's web page, at https://www.columbusga.gov/finance-2/bid-opportunities . It is the vendors' responsibility to periodically visit the web page for addenda before the due date and prior to submitting a quote.
"NO QUOTE" RESPONSE	Refer to the form on Page 3 if you are not interested in this invitation.

Andrea J. McCorvey
Purchasing Division Manager



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

e-Notification

The City uses the Georgia Procurement Registry e-notification system. You must register with the Team Georgia Marketplace/Georgia Procurement Registry to receive future procurement notifications via <http://doas.ga.gov/state-purchasing/suppliers/getting-started-as-a-supplier>.

If you have any questions or encounter any problems while registering, please contact the Team Georgia Marketplace Procurement Helpdesk:

Telephone: 404-657-6000

Fax: 404-657-8444

Email: procurementhelp@doas.ga.gov

STATEMENT OF "NO QUOTE"

Complete and return this form immediately if you do NOT intend to Quote:

Email: bidopportunities@columbusga.org
Mail: Columbus Consolidated Government
Purchasing Division
P.O. Box 1340
Columbus, GA 31902-1340

We, the undersigned decline to bid on your **PQ No. 23-0012**, for **Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System for Columbus Fire & EMS** for the following reason(s):

- ☐ Specifications too "tight", i.e. geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (explain below)
- ☐ There is insufficient time to respond to the Invitation for Quotations.
- ☐ We do not offer this product or service.
- ☐ We are unable to meet specifications.
- ☐ We are unable to meet bond requirements.
- ☐ Specifications are unclear (explain below).
- ☐ We are unable to meet insurance requirements.
- ☐ Other (specify below)

Remarks: _____

COMPANY NAME: _____

AGENT: _____

DATE: _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PQ - GENERAL PROVISIONS

THESE GENERAL PROVISIONS SHALL BE DEEMED AS PART OF THE SPECIFICATIONS.

The provisions of the Procurement Ordinance for the Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia as adopted and amended by Council shall apply to all invitations and award of all contracts and is specifically incorporated herein by this reference. A copy of the ordinance is on file in the Purchasing Division.

1. TERM "CITY". The term "City" as used throughout these documents will mean Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia.

2. PREPARATION OF FORM. Responses shall be submitted on the forms provided by the City. All figures must be written in ink or typewritten. Figures written in pencil or erasures are not acceptable. However, mistakes may be crossed out, corrections inserted adjacent thereto, initialed in ink by the person signing the proposal. If there are discrepancies between unit prices quoted and extensions, the unit price will prevail. Failure to properly sign forms, in ink, will render response incomplete.

3. EXECUTION OF THE PRICE QUOTE. Execution of the price quote will indicate the vendor is familiar and in compliance with all local laws, regulations, ordinances, site inspections, licenses, dray tags, etc.

4. QUOTE DUE DATE. The quote submission must arrive in the Purchasing Division on or before the stated due date and time. Upon receipt, quotes will be time and date stamped. Quotes will remain sealed and secured until the stated due date and time for the PQ opening.

5. QUOTATION RECEIPT AND OPENING. Sealed Quotations shall be opened publicly in the presence of one or more witnesses at the time and place stated in the public notice. The amount of each quotation, the bidder's name and such other relevant information as the Purchasing Manager deems appropriate shall be recorded and retained in accordance with Georgia law. The record and each bid shall be open to the public in accordance with Article 3, 301A of the Procurement Ordinance (Public Access to Procurement Information).

6. LATE RESPONSES. It is the responsibility of the vendor to ensure responses are submitted by the specified due date and time. Responses received after the stated date and time will be returned, unopened, to the vendor. The official clock to determine the date and time will be the time/date stamp located in the Finance Department. All responses received will be time and date stamped by the official clock. The City will not be held responsible for the late delivery due to the U.S. Mail Service, or any other courier service.

7. RECEIPT OF ONE RESPONSE. In the event only one response is received, the Purchasing Division shall conduct a survey of vendors to inquire of "no quote" responses and non-responsive vendors. If, from the survey, it is determined by the Purchasing Division that specifications need revision, the one response received will be returned, to the responding vendor, with a letter of explanation and a new solicitation prepared. If it is determined that other vendors need to be contacted, the due date will be extended, and the one response received will remain secured until the new due date. The vendor submitting the single response will receive a letter of explanation. **If it is determined the one response received is from the only responsive, responsible vendor, the single response will be evaluated by the Purchasing Division and the using agency for award recommendation.**

8. RECEIPT OF TIE QUOTES. In the event multiple responsive, responsible vendors are tied for the lowest price and all other terms and requirements are met by all tied vendors, the award recommendation shall be resolved in the order of the preferences listed below:

1. Award to the local vendor whose principal place of business is located in Columbus, Georgia.
2. Award to vendor previously awarded based on favorable prior experience.
3. Award to vendor whose principal place of business is located in the State of Georgia.
4. If feasible, divide the award equally among the vendors.
5. If it is not feasible to award equally and only two vendors are tied, perform a coin toss in the presence of the two vendors, either in person or virtually.
6. *If the above preferences are insufficient to resolve the tie, all quote responses will be rejected and the PQ will be re-advertised.*

9. RECEIPT OF MULTIPLE RESPONSES. **Unless otherwise stated in the specifications, the City will accept one and only one response per vendor.** Any unsolicited multiple response(s) will not be considered. If prior to the due date, more than one response is received from the same vendor, the following will occur: (1) the vendor will be contacted and required to submit written acknowledgment of the response to be considered; (2) the additional response(s) will be returned to the vendor unopened. If on the due date more than one response is enclosed in a single response package, the City will consider the vendor non-responsive and all responses will be returned to the vendor.

10. CONDITION AND PACKAGING. Unless otherwise defined in the specifications, it is understood and agreed that any item offered or furnished shall be new, in current production and in first class condition, that all containers shall be new and suitable for storage or shipment, and that prices include standard commercial packaging.

11. FREIGHT/SHIPPING/HANDLING CHARGES. All freight, shipping, and handling charges shall be included in the quoted price(s). The City will pay no additional charges.

12. CORRECTION OR WITHDRAWAL OF RESPONSE/CANCELLATION OF AWARDS. Corrections or withdrawals of inadvertently erroneous responses before or after due date, or cancellation of awards of contracts based on such mistakes may be permitted where appropriate. Mistakes discovered before due date may be modified or response withdrawn by written notice received in the office of Purchasing prior to the due date.

After the due date, no changes in prices or other provisions of responses prejudicial to the interest of the City or fair competition shall be permitted. In lieu of correction, a low, responding vendor alleging a material mistake of fact may be permitted to withdraw its response if the mistake is clearly evident, or if the vendor submits evidence which clearly and convincingly demonstrates that a mistake was made. All decisions to permit corrections or withdrawals of responses or to cancel awards or contracts based on mistakes will be supported by the written determination of the Purchasing Officer.

13. ADDENDA AND INTERPRETATIONS. If it becomes necessary to revise any part of this solicitation, a written addendum will be provided to all vendors. The City is not bound by any oral representations, clarifications, or changes made to the written specifications by City employees, unless such clarification or change is provided to the vendors in written addendum form from the Purchasing Officer. Vendors will be required to acknowledge receipt of the addenda (if applicable) in their response. The vendor may provide an initialed copy of each addendum or initial the appropriate area on the pricing page. Failure to acknowledge receipt of the addenda (when applicable) will render response incomplete. It is the vendor's responsibility to contact the City for copies of addenda, if price quote solicitation documents are received from any source other than the City.

14. EVALUATION AND AWARD. Quotation responses will be evaluated by the using agency for award recommendation. Purchasing Staff will perform further review for due diligence. During the evaluation of responses, the City reserves the right to request clarification of responses and to request the submission of references, if deemed necessary for a complete evaluation of responses. Award will be made to the responsive and responsible vendor whose response is most economical according to criteria designated in the solicitation. The determination of the lowest responsive and responsible vendor may involve all or some of the following factors: prices, conformity to specifications, financial ability to meet the contract, previous performance, facilities and equipment, availability of repair parts, experience, delivery promise, terms of payment, compatibility as required, other cost, and other objective and accountable factors, if any, (which are further described in the specifications). The City shall be the judge of the factors and will make the award in the best interest of the City.

15. TIME FOR CONSIDERATION. Responses must remain in effect for at least thirty (30) days after date of receipt to allow for evaluation.

16. SECURITY AND PERFORMANCE BOND. Security (Bid Bond) shall be required for competitive solicitations for contracts when deemed necessary by the City. Security shall be a bond provided by a surety company authorized to do business in the State, or in the form of a certified check. Security shall be in an amount equal to at least five percent (5%) of the quoted amount. The City will accept a copy of a bid bond on the due date. However, if a copy of a bid bond is submitted, the vendor must submit to the Purchasing Division the identical original document within five (5) days after the due date. **If the original document is not received within the five (5) days, the response will not be considered.**

If a **Performance Bond** is required, such shall be executed by a surety company authorized to do business in the State. The performance bond shall be equal to one hundred percent (100%) of the quoted price.

17. SUBCONTRACTING. Should vendor intend to subcontract all or any part of the work specified, name(s) and address (es) of sub-contractor(s) must be provided in response (use additional sheet if necessary). The vendor shall be responsible for subcontractor(s) full compliance with the requirements of the specifications. **THE COLUMBUS CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENTS TO SUBCONTRACTORS.**

18. DISQUALIFICATION OF VENDORS AND REJECTION OF RESPONSES. Vendors may be disqualified and rejection of responses may be recommended by the City for any (but not limited) to the following reasons:

- (A) Receipt after the time limit for receiving responses as stated in the invitation.
- (B) Any irregularities contrary to the General Provisions or specifications.
- (C) Unbalanced unit price or extensions.
- (D) Unbalanced value of items.
- (E) Failure to use the proper forms furnished by the Consolidated Government.
- (F) Failure to complete the proposal properly.
- (G) Omission of warranty, product literature, samples, acknowledgment of addenda or other items required to be included with response.
- (H) Failure to properly sign forms.

The City reserves the right to waive any minor informality or irregularity. The City reserves the right to reject any and all responses.

19. BRAND NAMES OR EQUAL. Whenever in this invitation any particular material, process and/or equipment are indicated or specified by patent, proprietary or brand name of manufacturer, such wording will be deemed to be used for the purpose of facilitating description of the material, process and/or equipment desired by the City. It is not meant to eliminate vendors or restrict competition in any process. Any manufacturers' names, drawings, trade names, brand names, specifications and/or catalog numbers used herein are for the purpose of description and establishing general quality levels. Vendors may propose equivalent equipment, services or manufacturer. Any response that is equivalent to or surpasses stated specifications will be

considered. Determination of equivalency shall rest solely with the City. **Please Note: Due to existing equipment, specific manufacturers may be required to facilitate compatibility.**

20. ASSIGNMENT OF CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS. It is agreed that the successful vendor will not assign, transfer, convey or otherwise dispose of the contract or its right, title or interest in or to the same, or any part thereof, without previous consent of the City and any sureties.

21. DISCOUNTS. Terms of payments offered will be reflected in the space provided on the pricing page. Cash discounts will be considered net in the evaluation process. All terms of payment (cash discounts) will be taken and computed from the date of delivery of acceptable material or services, or the date of receipt of the invoice, whichever is later.

22. TAXES. The City is exempt from State Retail Tax and Federal Excise Tax. Tax Exemption No. GA Code Sec. 48-8-3. Federal ID No. 58-1097948.

23. FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL LAWS. All vendors will comply with all Federal, State, and Local laws and ordinances, relative to conducting business in Columbus, Georgia.

24. INCLUSIONS. When inclusions are required, such as warranty information, product literature/specifications, references, etc, the inclusions should reference all aspects of the specific equipment or service proposed by the vendor. Do not include general descriptive catalogs. References to literature or other required inclusions submitted previously does not satisfy this provision. Responses found to be in non-compliance with these requirements will be subject to rejection.

25. NON-COLLUSION. By signing and submitting this response, vendor declares that its agents, officers or employees have not directly or indirectly entered into any agreements, participated in any collusion or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free competition in connection with this invitation. In the event said vendor is found guilty of collusion, the company and agents will be removed from the City's bid list for one full year and any current orders will be canceled.

26. INDEMNITY. The successful vendor agrees, by entering into this contract, to defend, indemnify and hold City harmless from any and all causes of action or claims of damages arising out or under this contract.

27. DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE. Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (minority or women owned businesses) will be afforded full opportunity to submit proposals in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or national origin in consideration for an award. It is the policy of the City that disadvantaged business enterprises and minority business enterprises have an opportunity to participate at all levels of contracting in the performance of City contracts to the extent practical and consistent with the efficient performance of the contract.

28. AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAM - NON-DISCRIMINATION CLAUSE. The Consolidated Government of Columbus, Georgia ("the City") is committed to using Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs) (small, women-owned and minority business enterprises) to the greatest extent practical in all solicitations and day-to-day procurement needs of the City and to taking specific affirmative actions to meet these commitments.

The City has an Affirmative Action Program in connection with Equal Employment Opportunities. The successful vendor will comply with all Federal and State requirements concerning fair employment and employment of the handicapped, and concerning the treatment of all employees, and will not discriminate between or among them by reason of race, color, age, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin or physical handicap.

29. AWARDS TO LOCAL BUSINESSES. Except for construction contracts, Federally funded projects, Request for Proposals and Request for Qualifications, awards will be made to responsive and responsible local businesses proposing a cost not more than two percent (2%) above the low bid or quote for contracts involving an expenditure less than or equal to \$25,000.00; and made to responsive and responsible local businesses proposing a cost not more than one percent (1%) above the low bid or quote for contracts involving an expenditure greater than \$25,000.00.

30. RIGHT TO PROTEST.

- (1) Right of Protest. Any actual or prospective bidder offeror, or contractor who is aggrieved in connection with a solicitation or award of a contract may protest to the Purchasing Manager initially. All protests shall be filed in the manner prescribed herein. Protests that do not comply with the following rules shall be deemed invalid and of no effect.
- (2) The protest must be in writing, executed by a company officer that is authorized to execute agreements on behalf of the bidder or offeror or provided by an authorized legal representative of the protestor.
- (3) A protest with respect to an invitation for Bids or Request for Proposals shall be submitted in writing no less than five (5) business days prior to the opening of bids or the closing date of proposals or qualification statements.
- (4) Stay of Procurement During Protests. If there is a timely protest submitted as described above, the Purchasing Manager shall not proceed further with the solicitation or award of the contract until all administrative remedies have been exhausted or until the City Council, Mayor, or City Manager makes a determination on the record that the award of the contract without delay is necessary to protect substantial interests of the City.

31. FAILURE TO QUOTE. Vendors choosing not to submit a response are requested to return a **Statement of "No Quote"**.

32. PRODUCT/EQUIPMENT DEMONSTRATION - SITE VISIT. During the evaluation, the City reserves the right to request a demonstration or site visit of the product, equipment or service offered by a vendor. The demonstration or site visit shall be at the expense of the vendor. Vendors who fail to provide demonstration or site visit, as requested, will be considered non-responsive.

33. CANCELLATION PROVISIONS. After the receipt of a product or piece of equipment, it is found that said item does not perform, as specified and required, payment for said product or equipment will be withheld. The successful vendor will be notified of the non-performance in writing. After notification, the successful vendor will have ten (10) calendar days, from the date of notification, to deliver product or equipment, which performs satisfactorily. If a satisfactory product is not delivered within 10 calendar days, from the notification date, the City will cancel the contract (purchase order) and award to the next low, responsive, responsible vendor. The vendor will be responsible for the pick-up or shipment of the unsatisfactory equipment or product.

34. QUESTIONS: Questions concerning specifications must be submitted, in writing, at least 5 (five) working days (Monday - Friday) prior to due date. Questions received less than five working days prior to due date will not be considered.

35. SAMPLES: When samples are required to be included with the response, the vendor will be responsible for the following:

- 1) **Unless otherwise specified**, vendors are required to submit exact samples of item(s) proposed. Do not submit sample of "like" item(s).
- 2) Affix an identification label to each individual sample to include vendor's name, price quote title and number.
- 3) Make arrangements for the return of sample after the award. All shipping costs will be the responsibility of the bidder. If vendor does not make arrangements for return of sample, within 30 days after award, the sample will be discarded.

36. GOVERNING LAW: The parties agree that this Agreement shall be governed by the laws of Georgia, both as to interpretations and performance.

37. PAYMENT DEDUCTIONS: The City reserves the right to deduct, from payments to awarded vendor(s), any amount owed to the City for various fees, to include, but not limited to: False Alarm fees, Ambulance fees, Occupation License Fees, Landfill fees, etc.

38. PAYMENT TERMS: The City's standard payment term is usually net 30 days, after successful receipt of goods or services. Payment may take longer if invoice is not properly documented or not easily identifiable, goods/services are not acceptable, or invoice is in dispute.

39. FINAL CONTRACT DOCUMENTS: If a formal contract is required as a result of the Request for Bid; the final contract shall include the following: 1) The RFB; 2) Addenda; 3) Awarded Vendors(s) Bid response; 4) Awarded Vendor(s) Clarifications; and 6) Awarded Vendor(s) Business Requirements

NOTICE TO VENDORS

Sec. 2-3.05. - Submitting bids to Consolidated Government, etc.—By mayor or councilmembers.

Neither the mayor nor any member of the Columbus Council shall submit any bid to the consolidated government, nor shall the mayor or any member of the Columbus Council own or have a substantial pecuniary interest in any business that submits a bid to the consolidated government. (Ord. No. 92-60, 6-23-92)

Sec. 2-3.06. - Same—By members of boards, authorities, commissions.

No member of any board or authority or commission or other independent or subordinate entity of the consolidated government shall submit any bid to the consolidated government or have a substantial pecuniary interest in any business that submits a bid to the consolidated government if such bid pertains to the board or authority or commission on which such person holds such membership. (Ord. No. 92-61, 6-23-92)

DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, CONCERNS OR NEED CLARIFICATION ABOUT THIS SOLICITATION?

COMMUNICATION CONCERNING ANY SOLICITATION CURRENTLY ADVERTISED MUST TAKE PLACE IN WRITTEN FORM AND ADDRESSED TO THE PURCHASING DIVISION.

ALL QUESTIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING. THE CITY WILL NOT ORALLY OR TELEPHONICALLY ADDRESS ANY QUESTION OR CLARIFICATION REGARDING BID/PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS. IF A VENDOR VISITS OR CALLS THE PURCHASING DIVISION WITH SUCH QUESTIONS, HE OR SHE WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT THE QUESTIONS IN WRITING.

ALL CONTACT CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION SHALL BE MADE THROUGH THE PURCHASING DIVISION. BIDDERS SHALL NOT CONTACT CITY EMPLOYEES, DEPARTMENT HEADS, USING AGENCIES, EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH QUESTIONS OR ANY OTHER CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION. QUESTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, OR CONCERNS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PURCHASING DIVISION IN WRITING. IF IT IS NECESSARY THAT A TECHNICAL QUESTION NEEDS ADDRESSING, THE PURCHASING DIVISION WILL FORWARD SUCH TO THE USING AGENCY, WHO WILL SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE.

THE PURCHASING DIVISION WILL FORWARD WRITTEN RESPONSES TO THE RESPECTIVE BIDDER OR IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO REVISE ANY PART OF THIS SOLICITATION, A WRITTEN ADDENDUM WILL BE ISSUED TO ALL BIDDERS.

THE CITY IS NOT BOUND BY ANY ORAL REPRESENTATIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, OR CHANGES MADE TO THE WRITTEN SPECIFICATIONS BY CITY EMPLOYEES, UNLESS SUCH CLARIFICATION OR CHANGE IS PROVIDED TO THE BIDDERS IN A WRITTEN ADDENDUM FROM THE PURCHASING MANAGER.

BIDDERS ARE INSTRUCTED TO USE THE ENCLOSED "QUESTION/CLARIFICATION FORM" TO FAX OR EMAIL QUESTION.

ANY REQUEST, AFTER A SOLICITATION HAS CLOSED AND PENDING AWARD, MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE PURCHASING DIVISION.

QUESTION/CLARIFICATION FORM

DATE: _____

TO: Patti Postorino, Buyer
Email BidOpportunities@ColumbusGA.org

RE: PQ No. 23-0012; Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System for
Columbus Fire & EMS

Questions/clarification requests must be submitted at least five (5) business days before the due date:

From: _____
Company Name Website

Representative Email Address

Complete Address City State Zip

Telephone Number Fax Number

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM FOR COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS PQ No. 23-0012

I. SCOPE

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide and install one (1) digital audio/video interview recording system, Legaltek LX Oracle (LXO) 1080P HD, or current production model equivalent, for investigation interviews for the Columbus Fire & EMS Department. The quote should include all labor and material for a turn-key solution.

See **Appendix A** for Technical Specifications.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all quotes, to waive any informality in quotes, to accept in whole or in part such quote or quotes as may be deemed in the best interest to the City.

II. BRAND NAME DISCLOSURE

It is not the intent of Columbus Consolidated Government (City) to restrict competition in any purchasing process. Any manufacturers' names, drawings, trade names, brand names, information and/or catalog numbers used herein are for purpose of description and establishing general quality levels. Such references are not intended to be restrictive; any equivalent products of any manufacturer may be offered. Any bid that is equivalent to or surpasses these specifications will be considered; determination of equivalency shall rest solely with the City.

III. COOPERATIVE CONTRACT PURCHASE OPTION

The City reserves the right to make this purchase via any comparable Cooperative Contract, if the contract cost is lower and meets the City's requirements.

IV. QUESTIONS/ADDENDA

Questions and requests for clarification must be submitted **within five (5) business days of the due date** (see pages 8 & 9). Changes to the specifications (if any) will be provided in the form of an addendum, which will be posted on the web page of the Finance Department/Purchasing Division of Columbus Consolidated Government at <https://www.columbusga.gov/finance-2/bid-opportunities>. **It is the vendors' responsibility to periodically visit the web page for addenda before the due date and prior to submitting a quote.**

V. GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE ACT/E-VERIFY

Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, a public employer shall not enter into a contract for the performance of services unless the contractor registers and participates in the federal work authorization program. If a supplier is providing services under a contract with a total compensation amount of \$2,500 or greater, (even if such services will be performed outside of the State of Georgia), Columbus Consolidated Government requires a notarized affidavit from the supplier attesting to the following:

(A) The affiant has registered with, is authorized to use, and uses the federal work authorization program;

(B) The user identification number and date of authorization for the affiant;

(C) The affiant will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period; and

(D) The affiant will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the contractor with the same information required by subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C) of this paragraph.

Additional information regarding the State's E-Verify requirements can be found at: <https://www.audits2.ga.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/13-10-91.pdf>. **A completed, notarized E-Verify Affidavit must be included with sealed proposal; failure to do so will render the firm's or individual's proposal non-responsive and ineligible for award consideration.**

VI. INSURANCE

The vendors shall be required, at their own expense, to furnish to the City of Columbus Purchasing Division, evidence showing the insurance coverage to be in force throughout the term of the contract. Insurance requirements are listed on the attached **Insurance Checklist**. **The limits shown are minimum limits. Vendor shall indicate the actual limit they will provide for each insurance requirement. The vendor shall complete the Insurance Checklist and include with quote response. Certificate of Insurance is acceptable.** The Insurance Checklist will indicate to the City, the vendor's ability and agreement to provide the required insurance, in the event of contract award.

The successful candidate shall provide the required Certificates of Insurance within **10 business days** after award notification. The Certificates of Insurance will name Columbus Consolidated Government as an additional insured, **as well as, list the applicable project or annual contract name, and/or solicitation name and number.** The Certificate of Insurance will be included with the contract documents prior to signing.

VII. QUOTE SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Quote responses must be submitted via DemandStar. See APPENDIX B for: Submission Requirements; Submission Requirements Checklist; and DemandStar Registration and Submission Instructions.

Each bidder shall include the following information with bid submission. Bidder shall submit **ONE (1) ELECTRONIC RESPONSE VIA DEMANDSTAR (See Appendix B)**. The City reserves the right to request any omitted information, **to exclude E-Verify Affidavit and Communication Concerning This Solicitation, WHICH DOES NOT AFFECT THE SUBMITTED BID PRICE.** Bidders shall be notified, in writing, and shall have two (2) days, after notification to submit the omitted information. If the omitted information is not received within two (2) days, the Bidder shall be deemed non-responsive and the Bid Submission will be deemed **"Incomplete"**:

- A. **PQ Form - Pricing Page (Form 1)**
- B. **Statement of Qualifications and Work Guarantee (Form 2)**
- C. **E-Verify/GSICA Form:** Refer to page 11, Section VII, regarding **(Form 3)**
- D. **Communication Concerning This Solicitation (Form 4)**
- E. **Addenda Acknowledgement (Form 5):** Acknowledge receipt for all addenda (if any). Addenda will be posted at <https://www.columbusga.gov/finance-2/bid-opportunities>. **Vendors are responsible for periodically visiting the web page, to check for addenda, prior to the bid due date and before submitting a bid.**
- F. **Federal Compliance (Form 6)**
- G. **Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification:** Complete and return **Page 1** of the Form W-9 available at <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>
- H. **Insurance Checklist:** Refer to page 11, section VIII, regarding **(Form 7)**

- I. **Product Literature:** Bidders shall submit with their bid the latest printed specifications and advertising literature on the units they propose to furnish.
- J. **Warranty Information:** Provide a copy of manufacturer's warranty, printed on manufacturer's letterhead.
- K. **Business License:** Vendors located in Muscogee County shall submit a current copy of their City of Columbus Business License (Occupation License). If the business is not located in Muscogee County and has proof of being properly licensed by a municipality in Georgia, and paid applicable occupation taxes in that city, the vendor will not be required to pay occupation taxes in Columbus, Georgia.
 If the business location is not in Georgia, vendor must provide a current copy of their active Articles of Incorporation from the State and/or a current business license from the City/State in which business is located.
 If you have questions regarding this requirement, please contact Yvonne Ivey, Revenue Manager: 706-225-3091.

VIII. AWARD/DELIVERY/INVOICE

- A. Award: This PQ will be awarded to the lowest, responsive, responsible vendor. The City will be the sole judge of the factors and will make the award accordingly. Should the successful vendor not be able to supply the required product(s), The City reserves the right to procure from other sources.
- B. Delivery: All freight, shipping and delivery charges must be included in the unit price. The City will not authorize additional freight, shipping, delivery charges, or any other additional fees. The successful vendor shall deliver the equipment to:

Columbus Consolidated Government, Fire Marshal's Office
 Public Safety Building
 510 10th Street, 2nd Floor
 Columbus, GA 31901

- C. Invoice: Invoice(s) must reference the purchase order number and be forwarded to:

Columbus Consolidated Government
 Accounting Division – Accounts Payable
 P. O. Box 1340
 Columbus, Georgia 31902-1340

IX. TERMINATION OF CONTRACT

- A. **Default:** If the contractor refuses or fails to perform any of the provision of this contract with such diligence as will ensure its completion within the time specified in this contract, or any extension thereof, otherwise fails to timely satisfy the contract provisions, or commits any other substantial breach of this contract, the Purchasing Division Director may notify the contractor in writing of the delay or non-performance and if not cured within **ten (10) days** or any longer time specified in writing by the Purchasing Division Director, such director may terminate the contractor's right to proceed with the contract or such part of the contract as to which there has been delay or a failure to properly perform.

In the event of termination in whole or in part the Purchasing Division Director may procure similar supplies or services, from other sources, in a manner and upon terms deemed appropriate by the Purchasing Division Director. The contractor shall continue performance of the contract to the extent it is not terminated and shall be liable for excess costs incurred in procuring similar goods or services.

B. Compensation: Payment for completed supplies delivered and accepted by the City shall be at the contract price. The City may withhold from amounts due the contractor such sums as the Purchasing Division Director deem necessary to protect the City against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders and to reimburse the City for the excess costs incurred in procuring similar goods and services.

C. Excuses for Nonperformance or Delayed Performances: Except with respect to defaults of subcontractors, the contractor shall not be in default by reason of any failure in performance of this contract in accordance with its terms, if the contractor has notified the Purchasing Division Director within 15 days after the cause of the delay and the failure arises out of causes such as: acts of God; acts of public enemy; acts of the City and any other governmental entity in its sovereign or contractual capacity; fires; floods; epidemics; quarantine restrictions; strikes or other labor disputes; freight embargoes; or unusually severe weather.

If the failure to perform is caused by the failure of a subcontractor to perform or to make progress, and if such failure arises out of causes similar to those set forth above, the contractor shall not be deeded in default, unless the supplies or services to be furnished by the subcontractor were reasonably obtainable from other sources in sufficient time to permit the contractor to meet the contract requirements.

Upon request of the contractor, the Purchasing Division Director shall ascertain the facts and extent of such failure, and, if such director determines that any failure to perform was occasioned by any one or more of the excusable causes, and that, but for the excusable cause, the contractor's progress and performance would have met the terms of the contact, the delivery schedule shall be revised accordingly.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM FOR COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS PQ No. 23-0012

I. SCOPE

The Columbus Consolidated Government (the City) is seeking quotes from qualified vendors to provide and install one (1) digital audio/video interview recording system, Legaltek LX Oracle (LXO) 1080P HD, or current production model equivalent, for investigation interviews for the Columbus Fire & EMS Department. The quote should include all labor and material for a turn-key solution.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all quotes, to waive any informality in quotes, to accept in whole or in part such quote or quotes as may be deemed in the best interest to the City.

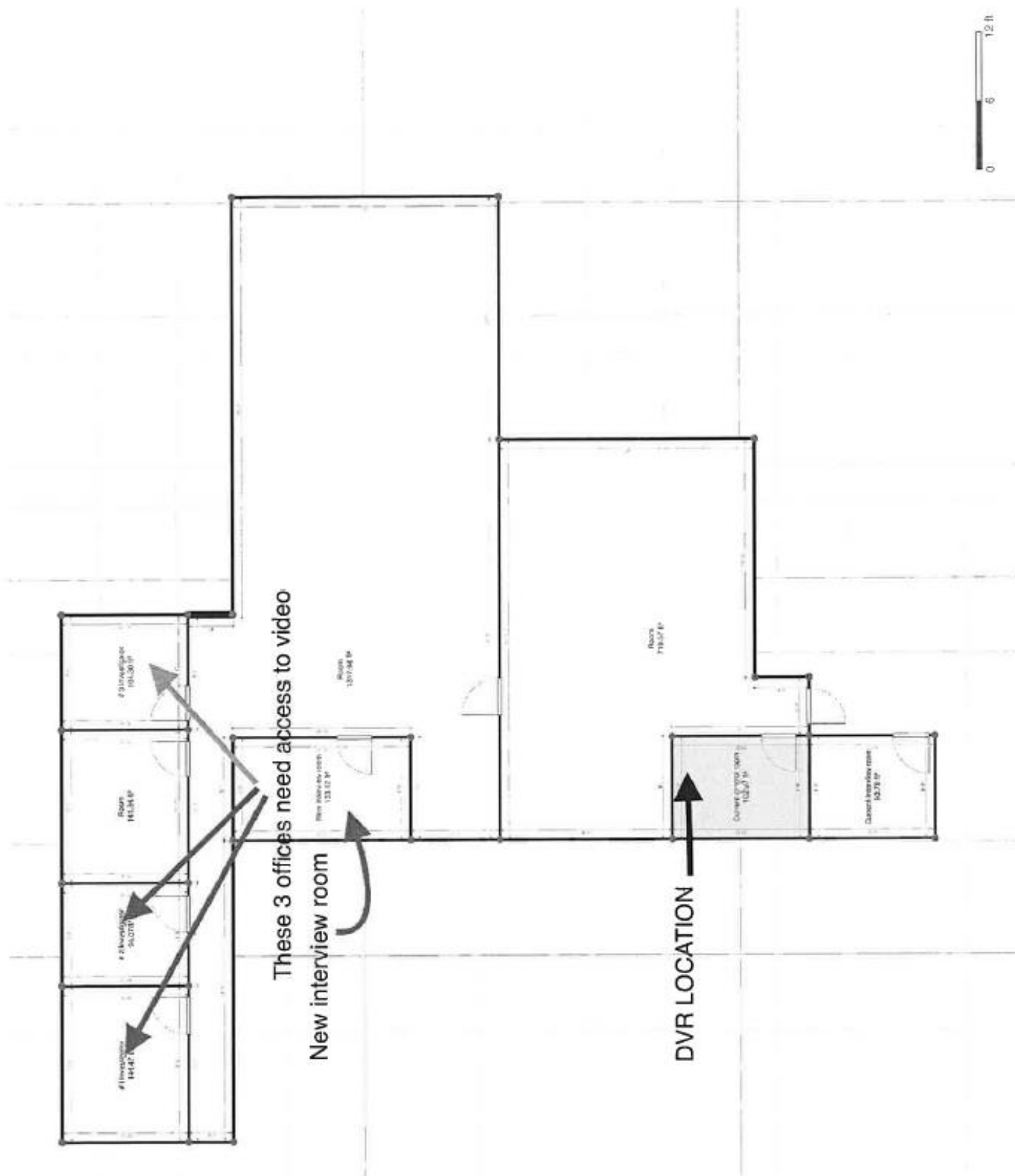
II. SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

The system needs to be capable of digitally recording and storing both audio and video evidence for criminal investigations.

III. INSTALLATION

The installation will involve a separate room for the interview which will house the camera and microphone components; as well as, a control room for the DVR to be housed with a single monitor. Additionally, the Department requires hard line feeds to be run to three (3) nearby offices to the existing computer monitors so that that each investigator can witness the interview room for his/her separate work station.

See diagram (Page 15) for description and distance measurements. Site visits will be accommodated, if needed. To schedule a site visit, contact Fire Deputy Chief Ricky Shores at 706-225-4212.



**INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM
FOR COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS DEPARTMENT
PQ No. 23-0012**

The undersigned hereby agrees that he/she has carefully examined the specifications herein referred to and will provide and install all equipment services and terms of the Consolidated Government of Columbus for the equipment described.

DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE
Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System	1	\$
Installation of Audio/Video Recording System		\$
	TOTAL:	\$

***All shipping, delivery, and /or freight charges must be included in unit price. Columbus Consolidated Government will pay no additional shipping, delivery, freight charges or any other additional fees.**

Non-commercial alternates will not be accepted. Each Vendor is requested to provide the unit price based on the type of material and design identified in Appendix A.

The undersigned agrees to deliver and install the Audio/Video Recording System to Columbus Consolidated Government, Fire & EMS Department, Columbus, GA, 31904, within _____ days after receipt of the purchase order.

In the event the Consolidated Government of Columbus would consider options to purchase additional quantities of Audio/Video Recording System in the FY23 budget year (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), the purchase price would be: \$_____.

In the event the Consolidated Government of Columbus would consider options to purchase additional quantities of Audio/Video Recording System in the FY24 budget year (July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024), the purchase price would be: \$_____.

Additional purchases are contingent upon price comparisons with the Cooperative Contract Purchase Option (See Section V of General Specifications.)

If there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the words will prevail. The above prices are total prices delivered to the City as described herein. Except as stated in the instructions, the City will pay no charges that are not included in the above bid. Any and all deviations from the specifications must be approved by the City in advance of changes/revisions to items to be furnished and delivered. Additional cost resulting from contractor requested and approved revisions are the responsibility of the contractor.

The vendor attaches hereto and makes a part hereof drawings and specifications of the equipment it proposed to furnish, in the quantity and level of detail required by the instructions. The vendor agrees to furnish an invoice to the City as far in advance of delivery or completion as possible (to facilitate payment).

Vendor's Name		Website	
Vendor's Street Address (P. O. Boxes will Render Bid Incomplete)	City	State	Zip
Vendor's Remittance or Mailing Address (If different)	City	State	Zip
Phone Number	Fax Number	Email Address	
Signature of Authorized Representative	"Print" Name and Title	Date of Signature	

Please initial if business is Minority or Woman owned; if not, "N/A":

Minority owned: _____ Woman owned: _____

If certified as a DBE or WBE, list the certifying agency: _____

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS & WORK GUARANTEE**Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System
for Columbus Fire & EMS
PQ No. 23-0012**

1. Company Name: _____
2. Permanent Main Office Address: _____
3. Date company organized; if a corporation, when/where incorporated? _____
4. How many years have you been providing the requested equipment and services under your present company/trade name? _____
5. List at least three (3) similar projects your company has performed within the last three (3) years, stating contract value and month/year of completion:

Company Name/Address	Contact Person/ Telephone	Contract Value Month/Year of Completion

6. List personnel that will be assigned to this project, their qualifications, and years of experience:

(Attach additional sheet, if necessary)

7. Have you ever failed to complete a project and/or defaulted on a contract? If so specify when and with whom:

8. Describe your statement of Warranty and Guarantee of Work: _____

Signature of Authorized Representative

Print Name and Title of Signatory

FORM 3

GEORGIA SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION COMPLIANCE” Contractor Affidavit under O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b)(1)

By executing this affidavit, the undersigned contractor verifies its compliance with O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91, stating affirmatively that the individual, firm or corporation which is engaged in the physical performance of services on behalf of **Columbus Consolidated Government** has registered with, is authorized to use and uses the federal work authorization program commonly known as E-Verify, or any subsequent replacement program, in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91. Furthermore, the undersigned contractor will continue to use the federal work authorization program throughout the contract period and the undersigned contractor will contract for the physical performance of services in satisfaction of such contract only with subcontractors who present an affidavit to the contractor with the information required by O.C.G.A. § 13-10-91(b). Contractor hereby attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as follows:

Company ID Number (*numerical, 4-7 digits*)

Date of Authorization

****See <https://e-verify.uscis.gov/emp/vislogin.aspx?JS=YES> to access your E-Verify Company Identification Number.**

Date of Authorization

Name of Contractor

Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System for Columbus Fire & EMS; PQ No. 23-0012

Name of Project

Columbus Consolidated Government

Name of Public Employer

I hereby declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on _____, _____, 20____ in _____ (city), _____ (state).

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME

ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: _____

A properly completed, notarized E-Verify Affidavit must be included with sealed proposal; failure to do so will render the firm's proposal non-responsive and ineligible for further consideration.

****COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PAGE WITH ELECTRONIC RESPONSE****

COMMUNICATION CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION

THIS PAGE MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH THE VENDOR'S BID/PROPOSAL. FAILURE TO INCLUDE THIS FORM WILL AUTOMATICALLY RENDER VENDOR'S RESPONSE NON-RESPONSIVE.

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ALL QUESTIONS OR CLARIFICATIONS CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING. THE CITY WILL NOT ORALLY OR TELEPHONICALLY ADDRESS ANY QUESTION OR CLARIFICATION REGARDING BID/PROPOSAL SPECIFICATIONS. IF A VENDOR VISITS OR CALLS THE PURCHASING DIVISION WITH SUCH QUESTIONS, HE OR SHE WILL BE INSTRUCTED TO SUBMIT THE QUESTIONS IN WRITING.

ALL CONTACT CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION SHALL BE MADE THROUGH THE PURCHASING DIVISION. BIDDERS SHALL NOT CONTACT CITY EMPLOYEES, DEPARTMENT HEADS, USING AGENCIES, EVALUATION COMMITTEE MEMBERS, INCLUDING NON-CCG EMPLOYEES, CONTRACTED PERSONNEL ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PARTICULAR PROJECT (I.E. ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, CONSULTANTS), OR ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH QUESTIONS OR ANY OTHER CONCERNS ABOUT THE SOLICITATION. QUESTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, OR CONCERNS SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE PURCHASING DIVISION IN WRITING. IF IT IS NECESSARY THAT A TECHNICAL QUESTION NEEDS ADDRESSING, THE PURCHASING DIVISION WILL FORWARD SUCH TO THE USING AGENCY, WHO WILL SUBMIT A WRITTEN RESPONSE.

THE PURCHASING DIVISION WILL FORWARD WRITTEN RESPONSES TO THE RESPECTIVE BIDDER. IF IT BECOMES NECESSARY TO REVISE ANY PART OF THIS SOLICITATION, A WRITTEN ADDENDUM WILL BE ISSUED TO ALL BIDDERS.

THE CITY IS NOT BOUND BY ANY ORAL REPRESENTATIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, OR CHANGES MADE TO THE WRITTEN SPECIFICATIONS BY CITY EMPLOYEES, UNLESS SUCH CLARIFICATION OR CHANGE IS PROVIDED TO THE BIDDERS IN A WRITTEN ADDENDUM FROM THE PURCHASING MANAGER.

BIDDERS ARE INSTRUCTED TO USE THE ENCLOSED "QUESTION/CLARIFICATION FORM" TO FAX OR EMAIL QUESTION. **QUESTIONS AND REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED AT LEAST FIVE (5) BUSINESS DAYS BEFORE THE DUE DATE.**

ANY REQUEST/CONCERN/PROTEST, AFTER A SOLICITATION HAS CLOSED AND PENDING AWARD, MUST ALSO BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO THE PURCHASING DIVISION.

I agree to forward all communication about this solicitation, in writing, to the Purchasing Division. I understand that communication with other persons, other than the Purchasing Division, will render my Bid/Proposal response non-responsive and I will no longer be considered in the solicitation process.

Vendor Name: _____

Print Name of Authorized Agent: _____

Signature of Authorized Agent: _____

****COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS PAGE WITH ELECTRONIC RESPONSE****

ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

**INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM
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The Purchasing Division will post addenda (if any) on the Bid Opportunities page: <https://www.columbusga.gov/finance-2/bid-opportunities>. It is the vendors' responsibility to periodically visit the page to check for addenda, ***both before the due date and prior to submitting a response in DemandStar.***

IF ADDENDA WERE ISSUED:

By signing below, I acknowledge 1) I have received the addenda (if any) as indicated below, 2) my submittal reflects the changes to the specifications, and **3) *my submittal includes the most recently revised forms (if any):***

Addendum No. ____ dated _____ Addendum No. ____ dated _____

Addendum No. ____ dated _____ Addendum No. ____ dated _____

Addendum No. ____ dated _____ Addendum No. ____ dated _____

IF NO ADDENDA WERE ISSUED:

By signing below, I acknowledge that I reviewed the Bid Opportunities page referenced above on _____ and did not see any addenda listed for this solicitation.

(date)

Business Name

Date

Authorized Signature

Print Name

In the event a procurement under this contract is federally funded, the Contractor agrees to comply with all federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination, labor standards, and environmental compliance. The Contractor will be notified if the procurement is federally funded.

With regards to “**Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement**,” If the Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR § 401.2 (a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

Contractor agrees to be wholly compliant with the provisions of **2 CFR 200, Appendix II**. Additionally, for work to be performed under the Agreement or subcontract thereof, including procurement of materials or leases of equipment.

Contractor shall comply and shall notify each potential subcontractor or supplier of the Contractor's federal compliance obligations. These may include, but are not limited to:

- (a) **Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352)** which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin;
- (b) **Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972**, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex;
- (c) the **Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 USC 676 et. seq.)**,
- (d) **Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. § 794)**, which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990;
- (e) the **Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 (29 USC 621 et. seq.)** and the Age Discrimination Act of 1974, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age;
- (f) the **Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255)**, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse;
- (g) the **Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616)**, as amended, relating to the nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism;
- (h) **§§ 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. 290 dd-3 and 290 ee-3)**, as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records;
- (i) **Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.)**, as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing;
- (j) any other nondiscrimination provisions in any specific statute(s) applicable to any Federal funding for this Agreement;
- (k) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to this Agreement;
- (l) Applicable provisions of the **Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. §7401 et seq.)**, the **Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. §1251 et seq.)**, **Section 508 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1368)**, **Executive Order 11738**, and the **Environmental Protection Agency regulations at 40 CFR Part 15**;
- (m) applicable provisions of the **Davis- Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 276a - 276a-7)**, the **Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. 276c)**, and the **Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 327-332)**, as set forth in Department of Labor Regulations at 20 CFR 5.5a;
- (n) the mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the **Energy Policy and Conservation Act (P.L. 94-163)**.

To demonstrate acknowledgement and understanding of the above listed Federal Requirements, vendor is required to sign below and return with bid response:

Vendor Name: _____

Signature of Authorized Agent: _____ **Date** _____

Print Name and Title of above Agent: _____

**INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM FOR
COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS**

INSURANCE CHECKLIST

**CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE MUST SHOW ALL COVERAGE AND
ENDORSEMENTS INDICATED BY "X"**

CSL = Combined Single Limit; BI = Bodily Injury; PD=Property Damage

Required Coverage(s)		Limits (Figures denote minimums)	Bidders Limits/Response
X	1. Worker's Compensation and Employer's Liability	STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS	
	Comprehensive General Liability:		
X	2. General Liability Premises/Operations	\$1 Million CSL BI/PD each occurrence, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
X	3. Independent Contractors and Sub - Contractors	\$1 Million CSL BI/PD each occurrence, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
	4. Products Liability	\$1 Million CSL BI/PD each occurrence, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
	5. Completed Operations	\$1 Million CSL BI/PD each occurrence, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
	6. Contractual Liability (Must be shown on Certificate)	\$ 1 Million CSL BI/PD each occurrence, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
	Automobile Liability:		
X	7. Owned/Hired/Non-Owned Vehicles/ Employer non-ownership	\$1 Million BI/PD each Accident, Uninsured Motorist	
	Other:		
	8. Miscellaneous Errors and Omissions	\$1 Million per occurrence/claim	
X	9. Umbrella/Excess Liability	\$1 Million Bodily Injury, Property Damage and Personal Injury	
	10. Personal and Advertising Injury Liability	\$1 Million each offense, \$1 Million annual aggregate	
	11. Professional Liability	\$1 Million per occurrence/claim	
	12. Architects and Engineers	\$1 Million per occurrence/claim	
	13. Asbestos Removal Liability	\$2 Million per occurrence/claim	
	14. Medical Malpractice	\$1 Million per occurrence/claim	
	15. Medical Professional Liability	\$1 Million per occurrence/claim	
	16. Dishonesty Bond		

Required Coverage(s)		Limits (Figures denote minimums)	Bidders Limits/Response
	17. Builder's Risk	Provide Coverage in the full amount of contract	
	18. XCU (Explosive, Collapse, Underground) Coverage		
	19. USL&H (Long Shore Harbor Worker's Compensation Act)		
	20. Contractor Pollution Liability	\$2 Million per occurrence/claim	
	21. Environmental Impairment Liability	\$2 Million per occurrence/claim	
X	22. Carrier Rating shall be Best's Rating of A-VII or its equivalents		
X	23. Notice of Cancellation, non-renewal or material change in coverage shall be provided to City at least 30 days prior to action.		
X	24. The City shall be named Additional Insured on all policies		
X	25. Certificate of Insurance shall show Bid Number (PQ No. 23-0012) and Bid Title (Investigation Interview Audio/Video Recording System for Columbus Fire & EMS)		
	26. Pollution:	\$2 Million per occurrence/claim	

*If offeror's employees will be using their privately-owned vehicles while working on this contract and are privately insured, please state that fact in the **Bidders Limits/Response** column of the insurance checklist.

BIDDER'S STATEMENT:

If awarded the contract, I will comply with contract insurance requirements and provide the required Certificate(s).

BIDDER NAME: _____

AUTH. SIGNATURE: _____

DEMANDSTAR

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Purchasing Division is suspending the receipt of hard copies of sealed responses and public solicitation openings until further notice. **Effective immediately, responses must be submitted via DemandStar.**

There is no cost to submit responses electronically through DemandStar; you will only incur a fee if you opt to receive e-notifications directly from DemandStar. You must select “Columbus Consolidated Government” as your free agency (see registration instructions). Solicitations may be accessed thru the DemandStar link that is posted at https://www.columbusga.gov/finance/purchasing/docs/opportunities/Bid_Opportunities.htm. Per Georgia HB489, the Purchasing Division will continue to post solicitations on the Georgia Procurement Registry. To receive future procurement notifications, you must register with the Team Georgia Marketplace at <http://doas.ga.gov/state-purchasing/suppliers/getting-started-as-a-supplier>.

Excluding responses to Requests for Proposals (RFP), a tabulation of responses will be available on DemandStar shortly after the solicitation closes. The Purchasing Division will also continue to post tabulations at https://www.columbusga.gov/finance/purchasing/docs/tabulations/bid_tabulations.htm.

Failure to submit electronic responses, via DemandStar, will result in the rejection of your response. Submittals received via U.S. Postal Service, FedEx, UPS, etc., will be returned unopened at the expense of the sender. The Purchasing Division will not accept hand-delivered submittals, and will immediately discard any submittal left in the reception area of the Finance Department.

See following pages for an Electronic Proposal Submission Requirements Checklist and information for DemandStar.

The Purchasing Division sincerely appreciates your cooperation during these unprecedented times.

ELECTRONIC QUOTE SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

INVESTIGATION INTERVIEW AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING SYSTEM FOR COLUMBUS FIRE & EMS PQ No. 23-0012

Please submit your electronic response as indicated below:

IMPORTANT NOTICE:

1. Vendors shall submit **only** the required documents listed using the “**Bidder Response ALL Documents**” function. **The City will not consider any information submitted as “Supplemental Documents”.**
2. **Zip files with multiple files are not acceptable**; vendors shall submit one PDF file of their submittal.
3. Due to file size limitations, please **do not resend the City’s full specifications** as this information is already on file.

In the event DemandStar requires a dollar value for your submittal, enter “0”.

- ☐ 1. PQ FORM - PRICING PAGE (**FORM 1**)
- ☐ 2. STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS AND WORK GUARANTEE (**FORM 2**)
- ☐ 3. GSICA/ E-VERIFY AFFIDAVIT (**FORM 3**)
- ☐ 4. COMMUNICATION CONCERNING THIS SOLICITATION (**FORM 4**)
- ☐ 5. ADDENDA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (**FORM 5**)
- ☐ 7. FEDERAL COMPLIANCE (**FORM 6**)
- ☐ 6. INSURANCE CHECKLIST (**FORM 7**)
- ☐ 7. PRODUCT LITERATURE
- ☐ 8. WRITTEN WARRANTY ON ALL PARTS
- ☐ 9. BUSINESS LICENSE 2022 / 2023
- ☐ 10. **Page 1** of Form W-9 – <https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>

Registering for DemandStar



We are pleased to announce our membership in the DemandStar network. DemandStar is an online marketplace that connects our suppliers directly to the bids, quotes and RFPs that matter to them.

DemandStar is open and accessible to all businesses and provides instant access to our solicitations. By registering for your complimentary DemandStar account, you will receive:

- **Instant** access to bids, quotes and RFPs
- **Automatic** notifications, right to you inbox, of bids that match the commodity codes you select
- The ability to **quickly view** the contractual terms and scope of work
- All the **forms and documents** you need in one place
- Access to **more government bids** in neighboring cities, counties and states

It's EASY! Get started with these 3 easy steps!

1 REGISTER

Go to:

<https://www.demandstar.com/registration>

Create an Account with DemandStar

You are one step away from picking your free government agency

Email Address

Your email address here

Company Name

Your company name here

☐ I accept the DemandStar [Terms of Use](#) and [Privacy Policy](#)

Next



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2 CHOOSE YOUR FREE AGENCY

Type in the name of the government agency you'd like to add, for example "City of Metropolis" in the Search Box

3 CHECK OUT

Check out with your **FREE AGENCY**
Registration by clicking "Skip for now" on the page where it gives you options to add additional counties and States

←

Choose Your Free Agency

Receive full access to the government agency of your choice and receive advance notifications of new opportunities.

City of Metropolis

×

Narrow down your search by selecting a state and county.

State

County

Select State

Select County

☐ City of Metropolis – Board of Commisioners

☐ City of Metropolis Purchasing

☒ Metropolis Technical College

You have chosen **Metropolis Technical College** as your free agency.
Add additional government agencies below for \$25 per County, Statewide and National subscriptions available.

My Subscriptions [0]

Nation (0)

States (0)

Counties (0)

		Your Current Rate
Total	(0 subscriptions)	\$0/year

Proceed to Checkout

Skip for Now

SIGN UP

Visit www.demandstar.com

Responding to an Electronic Bid

5 Step Instructions

Step 1

Many governments are moving toward requiring bid responses electronically. Here are the steps to respond to a bid Electronically.

- Click on the solicitation name

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a navigation bar at the top containing tabs: 'Board', 'Bids' (selected), 'Quotes', 'Coming Soon!', 'Activities', 'Messages', and 'Responses'. Below the navigation bar is a header section with a large orange arrow pointing right labeled 'Bids'. To the right of this arrow is a 'Sort By' dropdown menu set to 'Due Date'. Below the header is a table of bid entries. A red arrow points to the first entry, 'TSEBIDVINO24.JAN01'. Each entry has an 'Active' button to its right.

Bid ID	Agency/Location	Broadcast	Due	Planholders	Watch	Action
TSEBIDVINO24.JAN01	City of Fort Pierce - Purchasing Department, Fort Pierce, AZ	1/24/2020	3/1/2020	3	Watch	Active
AA-BB-CC-DD-EE	agency2.0, Texas, FL	2/4/2020	2/29/2020	0	Watch	Active
TESTBID	agency2.0, Texas, FL					Active

Step 2

Once you are in the solicitation, you will see the Bid Details page that is standard for all solicitations

- When you are ready to submit your bid, click on "Submit E-Bid Proposal"

TESTBID

Bid Details

Agency Name: Agency 123
 Bid Number: 1234567890123456
 Bid ID: 1234567890123456
 Bid Type: E-BID
 Bid Due Date: 12/15/2022 2:42 PM Eastern
 Fiscal Year: 2022
 Due: 12/15/2022 11:59 PM Eastern
 Bid Status Text: BIDDING

Scope of Work

SCOPE OF WORK

Documents

Filename	Type	Date Modified	Status
1234567890123456	Attachment	12/15/2022	Complete

Distribution Info

Bid Model: None
 Plan (Agency): None
 E-Bidding: BIDDING
 Distributed By: DEMANDSTAR
 Distribution Method: Download and use
 Distribution Options: Bid has no limitations associated with it
 Project Estimated Budget: 1,000,000.00
 Distribution Notes: None

Publications

View Legal Notice

Pre-Bid Conference

No Pre-Bid Conference Data Found

Commodity Code

000-000-000 MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Submit E-Bid Proposal

Step 3

Enter information requested page-by-page and you can see what will come next via the menu bar on the left under "E-Bid Progress"

Enter "0" as your bid (proposal) amount.

(As cost proposals remain confidential until after contract award (if any), Columbus Consolidated Government will not consider proposed costs, fees, revenue, etc., that are entered directly into DemandStar.)

DEMANDSTAR

E-Bid Response

Bid Details

Agency Name: Agency 123
 Bid Number: 1234567890123456
 Bid Due Date: 12/15/2022 2:42 PM Eastern
 Bid Opening: 23 days, 04 hours, 23 minutes, 04 seconds Remaining
 Bid Name: TESTBID

E-Bid Progress

- Contact Information
- Documents Upload
- Review Bid

Contact Information

Company Name: Carbon Carbon Corporation
 Address 1: R. O. Box 123
 Address 2: Address 2
 City: Pittsburgh
 Country: United States of America
 State/Province: Pennsylvania
 County: Select...
 Postal Code: 15200-0123
 Phone Number: 4127878800
 Extension: Extension
 Bid Amount: 1,234,567
 Alternative Bid Amount: Alternative Bid Amount
 Notes: For the full 6 month contract

Next

Step 4

After you click NEXT on the Contract Information page, you will be directed to enter the documents required.

Create one (1) file containing **only** the required documents listed on the "Electronic Proposal Submission Checklist" page of the specifications and upload using the "Bidder Response ALL Documents" function.

NOTE: Out of fairness to all vendors, the City will not consider any information submitted using the "Supplemental Documents" function.

Due to file size limitations, please do not include the City's specification document in your uploaded response as this information is already on file. Font and page limitations may also apply.

BEST PRACTICE TIP: In some instances, multiple addenda may be issued for a solicitation. To avoid having to re-upload your firm's response file multiple times, it is **recommended** that vendors upload within five (5) business days of the due date. The City posts all documents, to include addenda, on the Finance Department Bid Opportunities web page:
https://www.columbusga.gov/finance/purchasing/docs/opportunities/Bid_Opportunities.htm.

The screenshot shows the DEMANDSTAR E-Bid Response interface. On the left, the 'Bid Details' section includes Agency Name, Bid Number, Bid Due Date, Bid Opening, and Bid Name. The 'E-Bid Progress' section shows 'Contact Information' and 'Documents Upload'. The main 'E-Bid Response' section has a 'Required Documents' list with various file formats like PDF, Word, and Excel. Below this is a 'Supplemental Documents' section with a text input field and an 'Add Document' button. A green arrow points to the 'Upload Complete File' button, and a red arrow points to the 'Supplemental Documents' section with the text 'DO NOT USE SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS'.

Step 5

Review Your E-Bid Response, and if everything is correct, then press "Submit Response"

You are done! And the government to which you've submitted this will download your responses and documents and see the day and time upon which you submitted your proposal.

The screenshot shows the DEMANDSTAR 'Review Your E-Bid Response' page. The left sidebar contains 'Bid Details' and 'E-Bid Progress'. The main content area has a 'Contact Info' section with fields for Company Name, Address, City, State, Country, Postal Code, Phone Number, Fax, Bid Amount, and Alternate Bid Amount. Below this is a 'Submit Response' button. A red arrow points to the 'Submit Response' button.